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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

Applicant notes that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance refers to various elements that do not appear in the claims. Also, Applicant notes the reference to the specification as being part of the claims is in error. Each of independent claims 51-53 is defined by the language of the claims, not by any limitations from the specification. Thus, to the extent that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance refers to elements that do not appear in the claims, or that refer to the specification, Applicant respectfully submits that such references are in error.

Respectfully submitted,

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